

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Attn: ISSUE BRANCH

Shigeru FURUMIYA et al.

Confirmation No. 1924

Serial No. 10/615,799

[Group Art Unit 2833

Filed July 10, 2003

Examiner Briggitte R. Hammond]

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REQUEST FOR EXAMINER-INITIALED FORM PTO-1449

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On July 10, 2003 in the above-identified application an Information Disclosure Statement along with the required From PTO-1449 was submitted. However, as of this date, after issuance of a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, Applicants have not received an "Examiner-Initialed" copy of the Form PTO-1449, which was submitted on July 10, 2003.

Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to provide a copy of the Form PTO-1449 indicating that the cited references have been considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRIORITY PAPERS

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Sir:

Certified copies of the Japanese priority application Nos. 2000-6593, filed January 14, 2000 and 2000-187259, filed June 22, 2000, were filed on July 11, 2002 in parent application Serial No. 10/169,915. However, the Examiner did not acknowledge the claim for priority or the receipt of the priority documents in parent application No. 10/169,915.

In view of the above, early acknowledgment of the receipt of the priority papers is respectfully requested.

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